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TOTAL EMPLOYMENT CONTINUES TO GROW: Total employment (not seasonally adjusted) in the State was estimated to be 3,043,300 as of mid-November, 1985, a good net monthly gain of 5,800 workers (+0.2 percent). The seasonally adjusted total employment for North Carolina was estimated to be 3,060,000 for the same period, a slight net over-the-month increase of 1,000 people.

MANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT FALLS SLIGHTLY: North Carolina's manufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 814,000 as of the middle of November, 1985, a small net over-the-month decline of 1,000 people (-0.1). The durable goods segment remained constant over the month with little activity among its industry groups. The one bright spot was furniture and fixtures, which grew by 500 persons (+0.6 percent). Most of that gain occurred in household furniture (+400). That growth, however, was offset by the loss of 500 workers (-0.8 percent) in electrical machinery. The nondurable goods segment fell by 1,000 people (-0.2 percent) from October to November, 1985, with most of its industry groups either losing employees or staying the same. Tobacco manufacturing fell by 1,400 persons (-5.1 percent) due to the anticipated seasonal reduction of 1,400 stemming and redrying workers. That loss was partially offset by the addition of 500 workers (+0.6 percent) to apparel and related products as men's and boys' clothing advanced by 200 and women and children's garments rose by 300.

NONMANUFACTURING EMPLOYMENT INCREASES OVER THE MONTH: Statewide nonmanufacturing employment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 1,856,100 as of mid-November, 1985, a significant net over-the-month increase of 6,100 workers (+0.3 percent). Two of the industry groups were primarily responsible for that growth. Total trade jumped by 3,600 persons (+0.6 percent) with retailing itself surging ahead by 5,200 due to the holiday selling season. Total government employment rose by 3,100 people (+0.7 percent) over the month as each of its sectors exhibited growth: federal (+100); state (+1,800); and local (+1,200).

TOTAL UNEMPLOYMENT SUSTAINS NOTICEABLE INCREASE: North Carolina's total unemployment (not seasonally adjusted) was estimated to be 153,300 in mid-November, 1985, a net over-the-month rise of 5,600 persons (+3.8 percent). As a result, the unadjusted rate of unemployment rose from 4.6 percent in October to 4.8 percent in November. The State's seasonally adjusted total unemployment was estimated to be 147,000 as of the middle of November, a net monthly increase of 7,000 people (+5.0 percent), and the seasonally adjusted rate of unemployment edged upward from 4.4 percent to 4.6 percent. The unadjusted rates of unemployment for the Nation was 6.7 percent in November, 1985, and 6.8 percent in October, 1985. The seasonally adjusted rates of unemployment for the United States were 7.0 percent in November and 7.1 percent in October. Following the "Statewide Job Openings" table are graphs showing a comparison of North Carolina and United States unemployment rates and Statewide (adjusted and unadjusted) monthly rates, January-November 1985, and quarterly average unemployment rates for the State for the first three quarters of 1985.

North Carolina Civilian Labor Force 1/

	<u>November, 1985</u>	<u>October, 1985</u>
(Not Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,196,600	3,185,200
Employment	3,043,300	3,037,500
Unemployment	153,300	147,700
Unemployment Rate	4.8	4.6
(Seasonally Adjusted)		
Civilian Labor Force	3,207,000	3,199,000
Employment	3,060,000	3,059,000
Unemployment	147,000	140,000
Unemployment Rate	4.6	4.4
National Rate (Unadjusted)	6.7	6.8
(Seasonally Adjusted)	7.0	7.1

1/ Data prior to January, 1985, for North Carolina, are not comparable due to a significant change in the procedure for deriving monthly labor force estimates.

BOTH AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS AND AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS RISE: The average hourly earnings of the State's manufacturing production employees was \$7.36 in mid-November, 1985, a modest net over-the-month gain of 3¢ an hour (+0.4 percent) plus a net yearly increase of 21¢ an hour (+2.9 percent). Workers in the durable goods segment saw 2¢ an hour increase (+0.3 percent) over the month and an over-the-year rise of 26¢ an hour (+3.6 percent). The average hourly earnings reached \$7.56 in November. The durable goods industry group workers who experienced the largest net monthly increase where those in transportation equipment, up by 12¢ an hour (+1.4 percent) to arrive at \$8.44 in November. Lumber and wood products employees experienced a rise of 6¢ an hour (+0.9 percent) to a level of \$6.43. Production workers in the nondurable goods segment experienced a net monthly gain of 3¢ an hour (+0.4 percent) reaching \$7.23 in November, 1985, which amounted to a net yearly increase of 19¢ an hour (+2.7 percent). Tobacco manufacturing workers led the way in nondurable goods receiving a net over-the-month increase of 96¢ an hour (+8.1 percent) to climb to \$12.78. Average hourly earnings of workers in food and kindred products was up by 11¢ an hour (+1.7 percent) to hit \$6.63 in November, 1985. From the middle of October to the middle of November, 1985, the average weekly earnings of North Carolina's manufacturing production workers grew by \$2.69 (0.9 percent) to \$298.82, a yearly gain of \$14.25 (+5.0 percent). Average weekly hours stood at 40.6 in November, 1985, up by 0.2 an hour over the month and by 0.8 of an hour over the year.

THE NUMBER OF JOB APPLICANTS FALLS OVER THE MONTH: As of November 30, 1985, there were 186,957 active job applicants registered for work with the local Job Service offices across the State, a noticeable net over-the-month decline of 5,264 people (-2.7 percent). The largest applicant sector by age was once again the twenty-two to thirty-nine segment which had 117,156 or 62.7 percent of the total. Next came the forty to fifty-four segment with 32,380 or 17.3 percent. As expected, the fifty-five and over sector had the fewest active applicants with 10,047 or just 5.4 percent of the total. Females comprised the majority of the active applicants with a count of 98,422 or 52.6 percent of the total. The largest ethnic group was white, not Hispanic, which had 102,690 or 55.0 percent of the total. The following table provides additional information from North Carolina's active applicant file at the end of November, 1985.

Statewide Active Applicant File
November 30, 1985

	<u>Number</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Total	186,957	100.0
<u>Age</u>		
21 and Under	27,374	14.6
22 - 39	117,156	62.7
40 - 54	32,380	17.3
55 and Over	10,047	5.4
<u>Sex</u>		
Male	88,535	47.4
Female	98,422	52.6
<u>Ethnic Group</u>		
White, not Hispanic	102,690	55.0
Black, not Hispanic	79,321	42.4
Hispanic	1,179	0.6
American Indian and Alaskan Native	2,857	1.5
Other Races and Undetermined	910	0.5
<u>Eligible Claimant</u>	78,046	41.7
<u>Veteran</u>	34,315	18.4
<u>Handicapped</u>	12,865	6.9
<u>Seasonal Farmworker</u>	2,819	1.5
<u>Welfare</u>	27,309	14.6

THE NUMBER OF JOB OPENINGS DECREASES IN NOVEMBER: During the month of November, 1985, there were 17,187 job openings received by the local Employment Security Commission offices in North Carolina, a net monthly drop of 6,091 (-26.2 percent). About three-quarters of those openings was filled (12,914). Job openings in structural work led the way with 3,452 being received in November with a little more than half being filled (1,812 or 52.5 percent). The service category job opening was second with 2,689 received and 2,037 or 75.8 percent filled. Openings received for miscellaneous segment numbered 2,432 in November, and 2,260 or 92.9 percent were filled. The processing sector recorded the fewest job openings in November, only 607; however, all of them were filled. There were 128,144 job openings received by the local Job Service offices across the State from July 1, 1985, through November 30, 1985. Most of those openings were filled (104,896 or 81.9 percent). There were 15,729 unfilled nonagricultural job openings on file at the end of November, 1985. The majority of those job openings (10,355 or 65.8 percent) had been classified as hard-to-fill because they had been on file for thirty days or more. The next table gives more data on Statewide job openings for November, 1985, and for the fiscal year to date (July 1, 1985, through November 30, 1985).

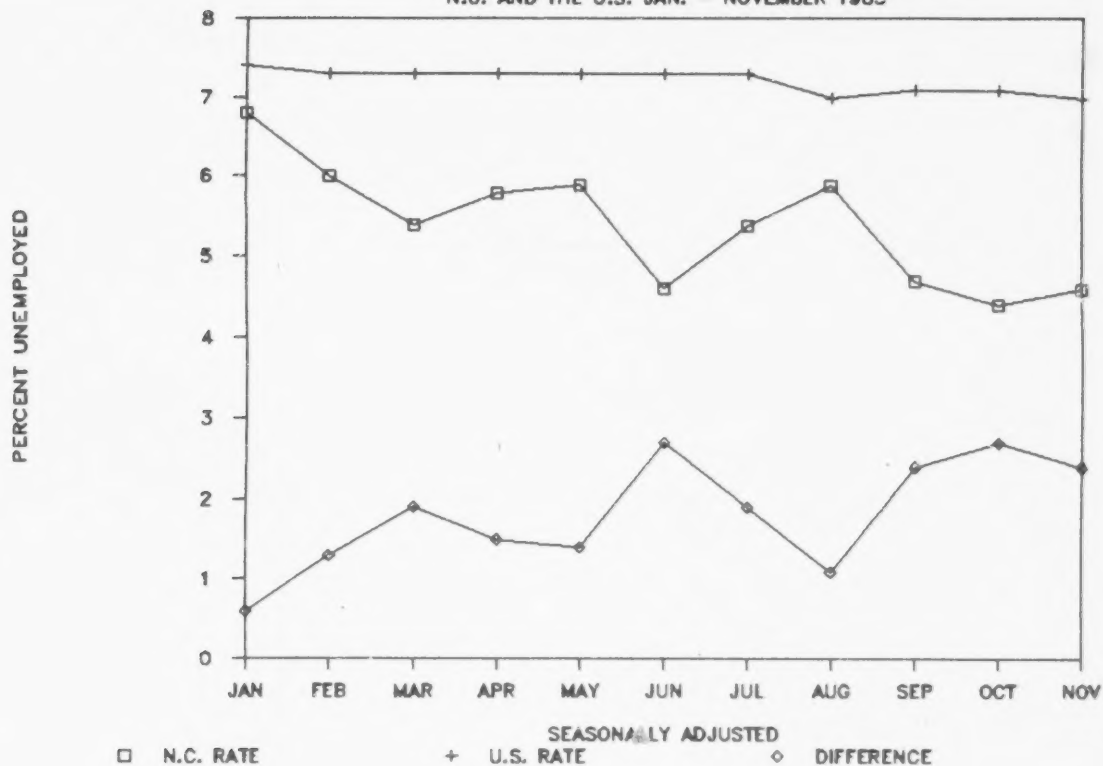
Statewide Job Openings Data

<u>Occupation</u>	<u>November, 1985</u>		<u>Fiscal Year to Date 1/</u>		<u>Unfilled (Nonag.) As of Aug. 31, 1985</u>	<u>30 Days or More</u>
	<u>Received</u>	<u>Filled</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Filled</u>	<u>Total</u>	
Prof., Tech., & Mgr.	667	329	4,772	2,580	1,454	1,071
Clerical	2,138	1,440	13,570	9,481	2,126	1,329
Sales	730	538	4,637	2,826	1,023	786
Service	2,689	2,037	19,520	15,049	3,190	2,312
Domestic	205	177	1,332	1,098	121	92
Other Services	2,484	1,860	18,188	13,951	3,069	2,220
Farm., Fish., & Forest.	1,288	1,178	26,904	26,822	209	185
Processing	607	633	5,327	5,022	155	80
Machine Trades	1,282	1,050	8,042	5,956	1,476	1,075
Bench Work	1,902	1,637	10,306	9,269	1,254	810
Structural Work	3,452	1,812	17,873	13,203	3,442	1,729
Miscellaneous	2,432	2,260	17,193	14,688	1,400	978
Motor Freight & Transp.	420	294	2,739	1,804	465	314
Pkg. & Mar. Hand.	1,941	1,918	14,033	12,578	870	628
Other	71	48	421	306	65	36
Total	17,187	12,914	128,144	104,896	15,729	10,355

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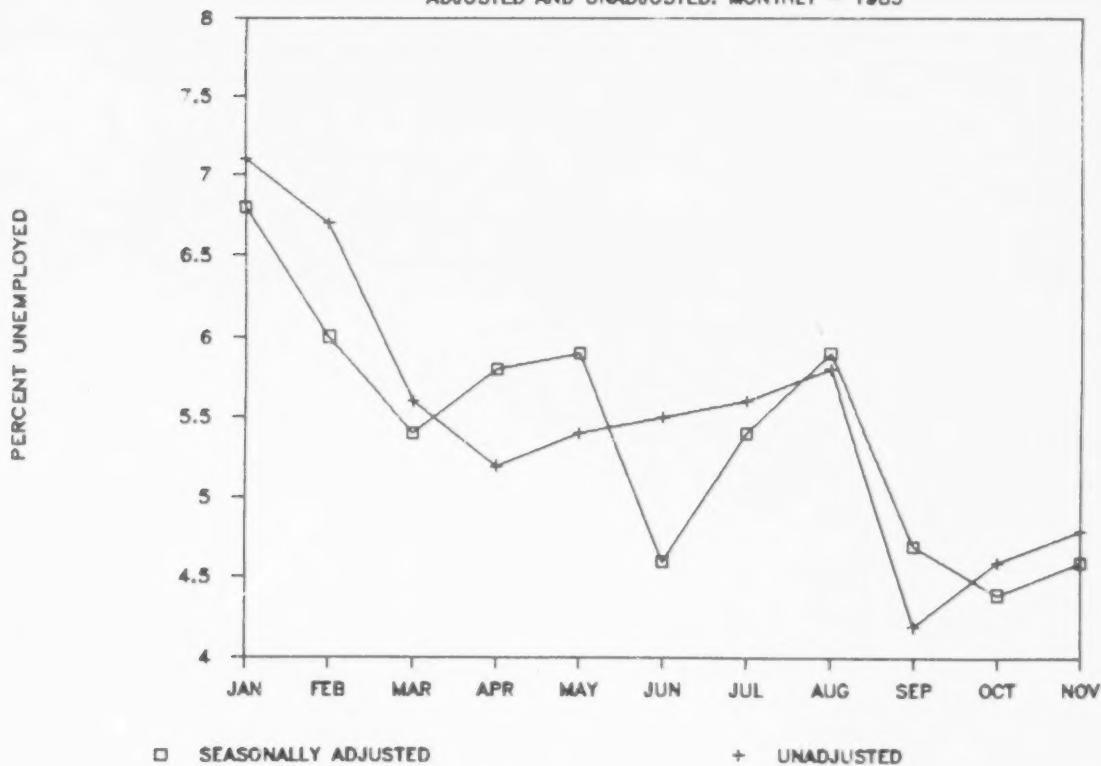
A COMPARISON: UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

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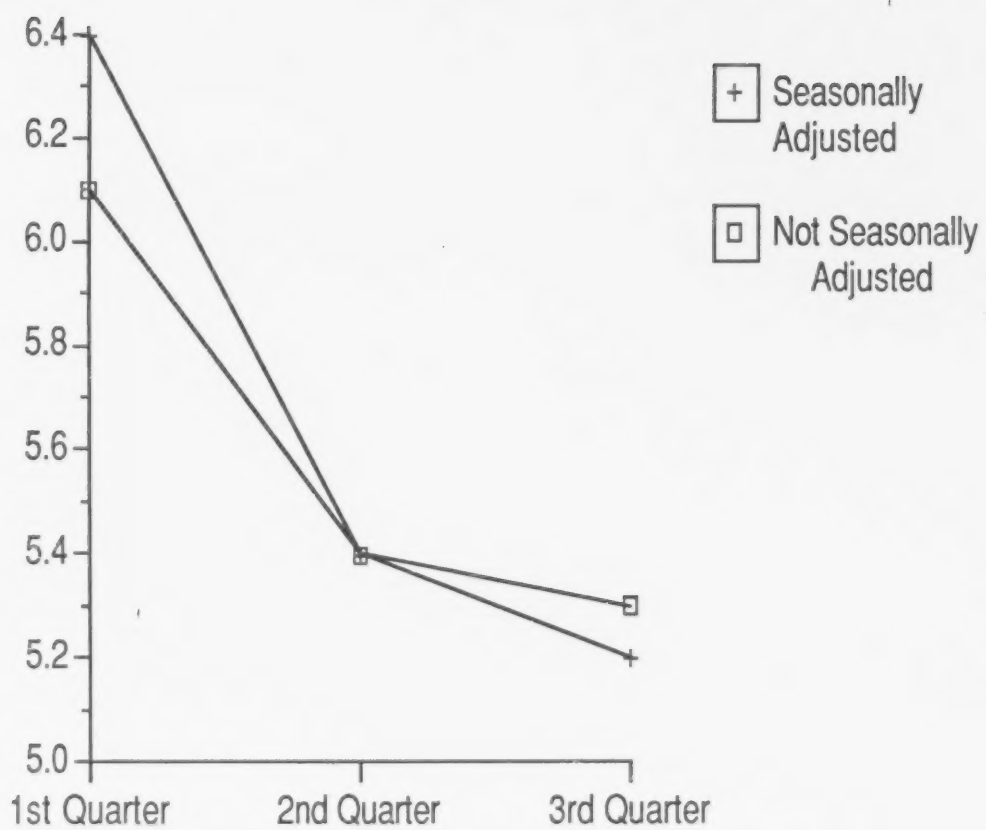


NORTH CAROLINA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES

ADJUSTED AND UNADJUSTED: MONTHLY - 1985



NORTH CAROLINA UNEMPLOYMENT RATES
Quarterly Averages
1985



ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL
INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/

November, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	Nov. 1985 (thous)	Oct.* 1985 (thous)	Nov. 1984 (thous)	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,670.1	2,665.0	2,621.5	+ 0.2	+ 1.9
MANUFACTURING	814.0	815.0	828.0	- 0.1	- 1.7
DURABLE GOODS	329.0	329.0	334.5	0	- 1.6
Lumber & Wood Products	35.9	36.0	36.8	- 0.3	- 2.4
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.5	12.7	13.2	- 1.6	- 5.3
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.6	8.6	9.0	0	- 4.4
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	5.1	5.0	4.4	+ 2.0	+15.9
Furniture & Fixtures	83.7	83.2	85.0	+ 0.6	- 1.5
Household Furniture	73.4	73.0	74.9	+ 0.5	- 2.0
Wood Household Furniture	36.1	36.0	37.6	+ 0.3	- 4.0
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.8	31.6	31.3	+ 0.6	+ 1.6
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.9	19.0	19.0	- 0.5	- 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.7	2.8	2.5	- 3.6	+ 8.0
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.5	5.5	5.4	0	+ 1.9
Primary Metal Industries	11.2	11.2	11.3	0	- 0.9
Fabricated Metal Products	26.9	26.8	26.9	+ 0.4	0
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.6	8.6	8.7	0	- 1.1
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	53.7	53.7	55.1	0	- 2.5
Special Industry Machinery	7.2	7.1	7.5	+ 1.4	- 4.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	62.2	62.7	64.1	- 0.8	- 3.0
Household Appliances	5.4	5.3	6.1	+ 1.9	-11.5
Transportation Equipment	21.8	21.8	20.8	0	+ 4.8
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.6	14.6	15.5	0	- 5.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	485.0	486.0	493.5	- 0.2	- 1.7
Food & Kindred Products	46.8	46.6	44.8	+ 0.4	+ 4.5
Meat Products	19.9	19.5	18.4	+ 2.1	+ 8.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.4	2.6	+12.5	+ 3.8
Dairy Products	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.1	8.1	0	0
Beverages	6.5	6.5	6.2	0	+ 4.8
Tobacco Manufacturers	25.8	27.2	25.5	- 5.1	+ 1.2
Cigarettes	19.9	19.8	20.0	+ 0.5	- 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	5.6	7.0	5.1	-20.0	+ 9.8
Textile Mill Products	205.5	205.6	213.0	**	- 3.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	51.9	51.8	58.7	+ 0.2	-11.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	26.4	26.5	29.5	- 0.4	-10.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	24.8	24.6	28.4	+ 0.8	-12.7
Knitting Mills	76.3	76.8	75.1	- 0.7	+ 1.6
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.9	23.0	22.0	- 0.4	+ 4.1
Hosiery, NEC	21.6	21.7	21.9	- 0.5	- 1.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.4	14.5	13.6	- 0.7	+ 5.9
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.7	6.8	6.9	- 1.5	- 2.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.3	14.0	14.5	+ 2.1	- 1.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.6	50.6	51.8	0	- 2.3

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL
INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA ^{1/}

November, 1985

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	Nov. 1985 (thous)	Oct.* 1985 (thous)	Nov. 1984 (thous)	Oct. 1985	Nov. 1984
Apparel & Other Textile Products	90.2	89.7	91.5	+ 0.6	- 1.4
Men's & Boy's Suits, Coats, & Furnish.	29.2	29.0	29.9	+ 0.7	- 2.3
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.9	39.6	40.8	+ 0.8	- 2.2
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.2	22.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.3	10.3	10.8	0	- 4.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.6	7.6	7.4	0	+ 2.7
Printing & Publishing	25.0	24.8	24.7	+ 0.8	+ 1.2
Newspapers	9.6	9.5	9.3	+ 1.1	+ 3.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.1	36.4	37.4	- 0.8	- 3.5
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.5	12.8	12.9	- 2.3	- 3.1
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.1	29.1	30.0	0	- 3.0
Other Nondurable Goods ^{3/}	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	0
NONMANUFACTURING	1,856.1	1,850.0	1,793.5	+ 0.3	+ 3.5
MINING	4.6	4.7	4.7	- 2.1	- 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	153.7	153.4	142.5	+ 0.2	+ 7.9
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	131.4	131.8	129.8	- 0.3	+ 1.2
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	72.3	72.6	70.5	- 0.4	+ 2.6
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.1	54.3	54.1	- 0.4	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	585.5	581.9	569.3	+ 0.6	+ 2.8
Wholesale Trade	134.0	135.7	133.2	- 1.3	+ 0.6
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	80.0	79.7	79.1	+ 0.4	+ 1.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	54.0	56.0	54.1	- 3.6	- 0.2
Retail Trade	451.4	446.2	436.1	+ 1.2	+ 3.5
General Merchandise Stores	61.2	57.9	60.5	+ 5.7	+ 1.2
Food Stores	68.2	67.8	67.0	+ 0.6	+ 1.8
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	112.0	111.6	106.1	+ 0.4	+ 5.6
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS ^{4/}	428.5	429.3	407.2	- 0.2	+ 5.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	25.1	25.7	24.0	- 2.3	+ 4.6
Personal Services	27.7	27.4	26.2	+ 1.1	+ 5.7
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.2	11.2	10.9	0	+ 2.8
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	440.5	437.4	433.9	+ 0.7	+ 1.5
Federal	51.9	51.8	50.2	+ 0.2	+ 3.4
State	130.4	128.7	128.9	+ 1.3	+ 1.2
Education	70.8	68.5	67.9	+ 3.4	+ 4.3
Other	59.7	60.1	61.0	- 0.7	- 2.1
Local	258.1	256.9	254.8	+ 0.5	+ 1.3
Education	140.7	140.7	138.4	0	+ 1.7
Other	117.4	116.2	116.4	+ 1.0	+ 0.9

^{1/} Current month data are preliminary.

^{2/} Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

^{3/} Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

^{4/} Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

* Revised.

** Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL
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November, 1985
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT		PERCENT CHANGE FROM:		
	November 1985 (thous)	October* 1985 (thous)	November 1984 (thous)	October 1985	November 1984
TOTAL NONAGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT	2,644.6	2,633.8	2,596.6	+ 0.4	+ 1.8
MANUFACTURING	809.5	807.3	823.4	+ 0.3	- 1.7
DURABLE GOODS	326.8	326.8	332.4	0	- 1.7
Lumber & Wood Products	35.7	35.5	36.6	+ 0.6	- 2.5
Sawmills & Planing Mills	12.5	12.6	13.2	- 0.8	- 5.3
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	8.5	8.5	8.9	0	- 4.5
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	5.1	4.8	4.4	+ 6.2	+15.9
Furniture & Fixtures	82.7	82.6	84.0	+ 0.1	- 1.5
Household Furniture	72.7	72.6	74.2	+ 0.1	- 2.0
Wood Household Furniture	36.0	35.6	37.5	+ 1.1	- 4.0
Upholstered Household Furniture	31.6	31.6	31.1	0	+ 1.6
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	18.7	18.8	18.8	- 0.5	- 0.5
Structural Clay Products	2.6	2.7	2.4	- 3.7	+ 8.3
Concrete, Gypsum, & Plaster Prods.	5.5	5.5	5.4	0	+ 1.9
Primary Metal Industries	11.2	11.2	11.3	0	- 0.9
Fabricated Metal Products	26.6	26.4	26.6	+ 0.8	0
Fab. Structural Metal Products	8.5	8.5	8.6	0	- 1.2
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	53.6	53.9	55.0	- 0.6	- 2.5
Special Industry Machinery	7.2	7.1	7.5	+ 1.4	- 4.0
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	61.9	62.1	63.8	- 0.3	- 3.0
Household Appliances	5.1	4.8	5.8	+ 6.2	-12.1
Transportation Equipment	21.9	21.9	20.9	0	+ 4.8
Other Durable Goods 2/	14.5	14.4	15.4	+ 0.7	- 5.8
NONDURABLE GOODS	482.7	480.5	491.0	+ 0.5	- 1.7
Food & Kindred Products	46.4	45.8	44.4	+ 1.3	+ 4.5
Meat Products	19.8	19.5	18.3	+ 1.5	+ 8.2
Meat Packing Plants	2.7	2.4	2.6	+ 12.5	+ 3.8
Dairy Products	2.7	2.7	2.7	0	0
Grain Mill Products	2.4	2.4	2.5	0	- 4.0
Bakery Products	8.1	8.1	8.1	0	0
Beverages	6.6	6.6	6.3	0	+ 4.8
Tobacco Manufacturers	24.3	23.9	24.0	+ 1.7	+ 1.2
Cigarettes	19.8	20.2	19.9	- 2.0	- 0.5
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	3.8	4.3	3.5	-11.6	+ 8.6
Textile Mill Products	205.3	204.8	212.8	+ 0.2	- 3.5
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth., & Wool	51.7	51.8	58.5	- 0.2	-11.6
Weaving Mills, Cotton	26.3	26.7	29.4	- 1.5	-10.5
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	24.8	24.6	28.4	+ 0.8	-12.7
Knitting Mills	76.5	76.6	75.3	- 0.1	+ 1.6
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	22.9	23.0	22.0	- 0.4	+ 4.1
Hosiery, NEC	21.6	21.7	21.9	- 0.5	- 1.4
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	14.4	14.6	13.6	- 1.4	+ 5.9
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	6.8	6.8	7.0	0	- 2.9
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	14.2	13.8	14.4	+ 2.9	- 1.4
Yarn & Thread Mills	50.5	50.1	51.7	+ 0.8	- 2.3

ESTIMATED WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT IN NONAGRICULTURAL
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November, 1985
Seasonally Adjusted

INDUSTRY	TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
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Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	39.7	39.4	40.6	+ 0.8	- 2.2
Paper & Allied Products	22.3	22.2	22.2	+ 0.5	+ 0.5
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	10.4	10.3	10.9	+ 1.0	- 4.6
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	7.6	7.6	7.4	0	+ 2.7
Printing & Publishing	25.0	24.9	24.7	+ 0.4	+ 1.2
Newspapers	9.6	9.5	9.3	+ 1.1	+ 3.2
Chemicals & Allied Products	36.4	36.7	37.7	- 0.8	- 3.4
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	12.5	13.0	12.9	- 3.8	- 3.1
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	29.1	29.0	30.0	+ 0.3	- 3.0
Other Nondurable Goods <u>3/</u>	4.4	4.4	4.4	0	0
NONMANUFACTURING	1,835.1	1,826.5	1,773.2	+ 0.5	+ 3.5
MINING	4.6	4.7	4.7	- 2.1	- 2.1
CONSTRUCTION	151.1	150.2	140.1	+ 0.6	+ 7.9
TRANSPORTATION & PUBLIC UTILITIES	131.0	131.3	129.4	- 0.2	- 1.2
Transportation, Exc. Railroad	71.8	71.7	70.0	+ 0.1	+ 2.6
Comm. & Electric, Gas, & Sanitary Ser.	54.3	54.4	54.3	- 0.2	0
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE	576.9	574.0	561.0	+ 0.5	+ 2.8
Wholesale Trade	133.0	132.2	132.2	+ 0.6	+ 0.6
Wholesale Trade-Durable Goods	79.9	79.7	79.0	+ 0.3	+ 1.1
Wholesale Trade-Nondurable Goods	53.1	52.5	53.2	+ 1.1	- 0.2
Retail Trade	443.9	441.8	428.8	+ 0.5	+ 3.5
General Merchandise Stores	58.3	57.7	57.6	+ 1.0	+ 1.2
Food Stores	67.9	67.1	66.7	+ 1.2	+ 1.8
FINANCE, INSURANCE, & REAL ESTATE	112.2	111.6	106.3	+ 0.5	+ 5.6
SERVICE & MISCELLANEOUS <u>4/</u>	431.1	426.7	409.7	+ 1.0	+ 5.2
Hotels & Other Lodging Places	26.0	25.1	24.8	+ 3.6	+ 4.8
Personal Services	28.1	27.9	26.6	+ 0.7	+ 5.6
Laundries, Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	11.1	11.1	10.8	0	+ 2.8
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	428.2	428.0	422.0	**	+ 1.5
Federal	52.4	52.2	50.7	+ 0.4	+ 3.4
State	124.2	124.6	122.9	- 0.3	+ 1.1
Education	63.8	64.1	61.2	- 0.5	+ 4.2
Other	60.4	60.5	61.7	- 0.2	- 2.1
Local	251.6	251.2	248.4	+ 0.2	+ 1.3
Education	132.9	133.6	130.7	- 0.5	+ 1.7
Other	118.7	117.6	117.7	+ 0.9	+ 0.8

1/ Current month data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Instruments & Related Products and Misc. Manufacturing Industries.

3/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products.

4/ Includes Services, except Domestic; Agri. Services; Forestry & Fisheries.

* Revised.

** Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED
MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES OF NORTH CAROLINA 1/
November, 1985

INDUSTRY	NUMBER OF PRODUCTION WORKERS (Thous.)			PERCENT CHANGE FROM:	
	November 1985	October* 1985	November 1984	October 1985	November 1984
MANUFACTURING	643.9	644.7	662.0	- 0.1	- 2.7
DURABLE GOODS	247.3	247.2	256.0	**	- 3.4
Lumber & Wood Products	30.9	31.0	32.0	- 0.3	- 3.4
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	7.6	7.5	7.9	+ 1.3	- 3.8
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	4.0	4.0	3.5	0	+14.3
Furniture & Fixtures	73.7	73.2	75.8	+ 0.7	- 2.8
Household Furniture	65.1	64.8	67.4	+ 0.5	- 3.4
Wood Household Furniture	33.0	32.8	34.7	+ 0.6	- 4.9
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	15.5	15.5	15.8	0	- 1.9
Structural Clay Products	2.2	2.2	2.0	0	+10.0
Primary Metal Industries	8.4	8.4	8.6	0	- 2.3
Fabricated Metal Products	20.3	20.2	20.1	+ 0.5	+ 1.0
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	26.3	26.3	27.6	0	- 4.7
Special Industry Machinery	4.9	4.8	5.1	+ 2.1	- 3.9
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	43.8	44.1	47.4	- 0.7	- 7.6
Household Appliances	4.8	4.7	5.5	+ 2.1	-12.7
Transportation Equipment	17.5	17.5	16.8	0	+ 4.2
NONDURABLE GOODS	396.6	397.6	406.0	- 0.3	- 2.3
Food & Kindred Products	32.8	32.6	30.8	+ 0.6	+ 6.5
Meat Products	17.6	17.3	16.2	+ 1.7	+ 8.6
Meat Packing	1.9	1.7	1.9	+11.8	0
Dairy Products	1.4	1.4	1.3	0	+ 7.7
Grain Mill Products	1.7	1.6	1.6	+ 6.2	+ 6.2
Bakery Products	4.6	4.5	4.6	+ 2.2	0
Beverages	2.6	2.5	2.3	+ 4.0	+13.0
Tobacco Manufacturers	20.4	21.8	20.3	- 6.4	+ 0.5
Cigarettes	15.7	15.6	15.9	+ 0.6	- 1.3
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	4.4	5.8	4.0	-24.1	+10.0
Textile Mill Products	181.8	181.9	189.1	- 0.1	- 3.9
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	45.7	45.7	52.1	0	-12.3
Weaving Mills, Cotton	23.2	23.3	26.3	- 0.4	-11.8
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	22.1	21.9	25.3	+ 0.9	-12.6
Knitting Mills	67.7	68.1	66.4	- 0.6	+ 2.0
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	20.8	20.8	19.9	0	+ 4.5
Hosiery, NEC	19.7	19.8	20.1	- 0.5	- 2.0
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	12.3	12.4	11.5	- 0.8	+ 7.0
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	5.8	5.9	6.0	- 1.7	- 3.3
Textile finishing, Exc. Wool	11.9	11.7	12.1	+ 1.7	- 1.7
Yarn & Thread Mills	46.1	46.1	47.5	0	- 2.9
Apparel & Other Textile Products	78.8	78.3	80.9	+ 0.6	- 2.6
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	25.4	25.2	27.1	+ 0.8	- 6.3
Women's & Children's Garments	34.8	34.5	35.5	+ 0.9	- 2.0
Paper & Allied Products	16.8	16.8	16.7	0	+ 0.6
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	7.5	7.5	8.1	0	- 7.4
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	5.8	5.7	5.6	+ 1.8	+ 3.6
Printing & Publishing	15.3	15.2	15.6	+ 0.7	- 1.9
Newspapers	3.6	3.6	3.7	0	- 2.7
Chemicals & Allied Products	23.1	23.3	24.3	- 0.9	- 4.9
Plastic Materials & Synthetics	8.7	9.0	8.9	- 3.3	- 2.2
Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products	23.8	23.8	24.6	0	- 3.3
Other Nondurable Goods 2/	3.7	3.7	3.7	0	0

1/ Current data are preliminary.

2/ Includes Petroleum & Coal Products and Leather & Leather Products

Note: From April, 1981, through March, 1982, "Other Nondurable Goods" was included in "Rubber & Misc. Plastic Products."

* Revised.

** Less than 0.05 percent.

ESTIMATED AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS AND AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS
OF PRODUCTION WORKERS IN SELECTED MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES
AND NONSUPERVISORY EMPLOYEES IN SELECTED NONMANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES 1/
November, 1985

INDUSTRY	AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS			AVERAGE WEEKLY HOURS			AVERAGE HOURLY EARNINGS		
	Nov. 1985	Oct.* 1985	Nov. 1984	Nov. 1985	Oct.* 1985	Nov. 1984	Nov. 1985	Oct.* 1985	Nov. 1984
MANUFACTURING	\$298.82	\$296.13	\$284.57	40.6	40.4	39.8	\$ 7.36	\$ 7.33	\$ 7.15
DURABLE GOODS	310.72	308.39	300.76	41.1	40.9	41.2	7.56	7.54	7.30
Lumber & Wood Products	260.42	258.62	242.00	40.5	40.6	40.4	6.43	6.37	5.99
Millwork, Plywood, & Struct. Members	253.56	250.10	235.35	40.7	40.8	40.3	6.23	6.13	5.84
Wood Bldgs. & Mobile Homes	276.32	294.06	275.22	38.7	41.3	39.6	7.14	7.12	6.95
Furniture & Fixtures	268.53	267.33	251.54	39.9	39.9	39.8	6.73	6.70	6.32
Household Furniture	266.26	266.40	250.74	39.8	40.0	39.8	6.69	6.66	6.30
Wood Household Furniture	258.22	257.18	247.25	40.6	40.5	40.6	6.36	6.35	6.09
Stone, Clay, & Glass Products	337.60	329.16	327.85	42.2	41.3	42.8	8.00	7.97	7.66
Structural Clay Products	289.91	260.83	283.13	43.4	39.4	45.3	6.68	6.62	6.25
Primary Metal Industries	362.09	367.64	350.35	42.3	42.6	43.2	8.56	8.63	8.11
Fabricated Metal Products	325.36	323.59	330.79	42.2	41.7	42.3	7.71	7.76	7.82
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	352.79	347.36	362.32	42.2	41.8	43.6	8.36	8.31	8.31
Special Industry Machinery	319.56	314.38	309.46	40.4	40.1	40.4	7.91	7.84	7.66
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	344.86	341.82	344.84	41.3	40.5	41.2	8.35	8.44	8.37
Household Appliances	283.53	295.37	269.18	42.7	43.5	40.6	6.64	6.79	6.63
Transportation Equipment	362.92	361.09	348.19	43.0	43.4	43.2	8.44	8.32	8.06
NONDURABLE GOODS	291.37	289.44	273.86	40.3	40.2	38.9	7.23	7.20	7.04
Food & Kindred Products	264.54	267.97	251.16	39.9	41.1	39.0	6.63	6.52	6.44
Meat Products	221.75	225.27	199.82	38.7	39.8	36.2	5.73	5.66	5.52
Meat Packing	347.15	344.27	342.88	42.7	43.8	44.3	8.13	7.86	7.74
Dairy Products	295.24	288.86	268.46	44.0	43.7	43.3	6.71	6.61	6.20
Grain Mill Products	300.14	307.48	295.75	43.0	43.8	42.8	6.98	7.02	6.91
Bakery Products	300.15	296.53	297.09	41.4	41.3	42.2	7.25	7.18	7.04
Beverages	480.53	483.51	484.54	42.3	42.6	45.2	11.36	11.35	10.72
Tobacco Manufacturers	457.52	457.43	503.00	35.8	38.7	39.7	12.78	11.82	12.67
Cigarettes	539.06	545.40	617.87	36.3	36.0	42.7	14.85	15.15	14.47
Tobacco Stemming & Redrying	173.04	227.59	149.08	33.6	45.7	30.3	5.15	4.98	4.92
Textile Mill Products	269.45	263.25	239.51	41.2	40.5	38.2	6.54	6.50	6.27
Weaving Mills, Cotton, Synth. & Wool	301.91	296.33	270.18	41.7	41.1	39.1	7.24	7.21	6.91
Weaving Mills, Cotton	299.22	297.75	266.73	40.6	40.4	38.6	7.37	7.37	6.91
Weaving Mills, Synthetics	305.02	293.85	273.64	42.9	41.8	39.6	7.11	7.03	6.91
Knitting Mills	236.51	232.32	214.91	38.9	38.4	36.8	6.08	6.05	5.84
Women's Hosiery, Exc. Socks	212.72	206.57	211.84	36.3	35.8	37.1	5.86	5.77	5.71
Hosiery, NEC	231.77	231.55	200.99	38.5	38.1	35.2	6.02	6.03	5.71
Circular Knit Fabric Mills	264.22	251.80	235.60	40.4	39.1	38.0	6.54	6.44	6.20
Warp Knit Fabric Mills	297.04	307.17	266.74	44.6	46.4	41.1	6.66	6.62	6.49
Textile Finishing, Exc. Wool	294.12	289.68	256.07	43.0	42.6	39.7	6.84	6.80	6.45
Yarn & Thread Mills	272.62	264.60	228.00	43.0	42.0	38.0	6.34	6.30	6.00
Apparel & Other Textile Products	197.98	194.91	184.76	38.0	37.7	37.1	5.21	5.17	4.98
Men's & Boys' Suits, Coats, & Furns.	196.18	189.38	180.22	36.6	35.8	35.2	5.36	5.29	5.12
Women's & Children's Outerwear & Undergarments	184.84	133.22	175.75	37.8	37.7	37.0	4.89	4.86	4.75
Paper & Allied Products	509.18	505.34	482.18	45.1	44.8	44.4	11.29	11.28	10.86
Pulp, Paper, & Paperboard Mills	675.93	656.77	614.71	47.5	45.8	45.5	14.23	14.34	13.51
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	355.40	370.27	341.44	43.5	45.1	44.0	8.17	8.21	7.76
Printing & Publishing	331.11	335.23	320.40	39.0	39.3	39.9	8.49	8.53	8.03
Newspapers	276.89	278.39	280.14	34.1	34.2	34.8	8.12	8.14	8.05
Chemicals & Allied Products	411.60	405.46	384.17	42.0	41.5	41.0	9.80	9.77	9.37
Plastics Materials & Synthetics	452.84	444.58	457.58	42.6	42.1	43.3	10.63	10.56	10.57
Rubber & Misc. Plastics Products	376.74	381.06	375.42	41.4	41.6	41.9	9.10	9.16	8.96
MINING	387.46	400.16	359.20	47.6	48.8	45.7	8.14	8.20	7.86
COMM. & ELEC., GAS, & SANITARY SERVS.	475.49	488.92	461.73	41.6	42.7	41.3	11.43	11.45	11.18
WHOLESALE & RETAIL TRADE	196.10	196.99	193.05	32.2	32.4	32.5	6.09	6.08	5.94
Wholesale Trade	297.97	298.36	298.98	38.3	38.9	39.6	7.66	7.67	7.55
Retail Trade	169.02	168.91	164.63	30.4	30.6	30.6	5.56	5.52	5.38
General Merchandise Stores	159.32	158.42	146.16	28.5	28.7	29.0	5.59	5.52	5.04
Food Stores	187.08	188.24	199.47	32.2	32.4	33.3	5.81	5.81	5.99
SERVICES, Hotels & Other Lodging Places	135.73	141.96	133.29	29.7	31.2	30.5	4.57	4.55	4.37
Laund., Cleaning, & Garment Ser.	199.11	200.75	193.25	36.4	36.5	36.6	5.47	5.50	5.28

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